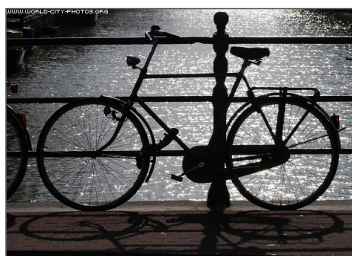




AMSTERDAM

Spend a number of days in Amsterdam a lively, charming and cosmopolitan city with humane dimensions. We will explore the ring of canals around central Amsterdam, the Rijksmuseum, Van Gogh Museum, the National Maritime Museum, Het Grachtenhuis, the Heineken Brewery, Houseboat Museum. and the Anne Frank Huis using public transportation.



IT'S OFF TO THE NETHERLANDS WE GO!

The interdisciplinary content for the study of water in the Netherlands includes water as engineered through the country's vast network of canals, dijks, windmills and polders in Zeeland, West Friesland and Amsterdam; the exploration of water as exploitation with the Dutch East India Company; water in commerce, including brewing; conservation efforts to restore wetlands; human expression of water through the visual arts and winter recreational use of water (ice skating). This course will foster a shared Dutch experience with opportunities to prepare meals and engage in conversation throughout our travels together.

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PROVINCE OF NORTH HOLLAND AND THE VILLAGES OF WEST FRIESLAND

Visit the old town of Enkhuizen, port on the Zuiderzee during the Dutch East India Company period starting in the 16th century. Walk across the Afsluitdijk, a fundamental part of the larger Zuiderzee Works, damming off the Zuiderzee a salt-water inlet of the North Sea, and turning it into the fresh water lake of the IJsselmeer. Learn how the famous and delectable gevulde kook (filled cookies) are made in Medemblik. Travel by bicycle through the small villages and towns of West Friesland and enjoy a home stay with a local village family.



TOP TEN REASONS THAT THE NETHERLANDS 2014 IS FOR YOU!

10. Learn to speak a little Dutch: begin now by rolling your "r's" to say Grrrrr.

9. Lekkers: the Dutch mastered the art of baking sweets, including the delicious gevulde cookie



8. Ice skating on the canals (weather permitting)

7. Cycling on some of the world's best bicycle only designated paths

6. Building cross cultural awareness with homes stays



5. Heineken Brewery

4. Koffie tijd

3. Cook Dutch food together

2. Becoming a self reliant traveler

1. As the Dutch saying goes: If it ain't Dutch, it ain't much!



SOUTHERN PROVINCES OF ZEELAND PROVINCES: BEAUTIFUL OLD TOWN OF MIDDLEBURG AND WORLD HERITAGE SITE KINDERDIJK

Visit one of the greatest engineering feats of the world the Delta Works, a series of construction projects in the southwest of the Netherlands that protects a large area of land around the Rhine-Meuse-Scheldt delta.

